

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DOCKET NO. 2014-399-WS

Joint Application of Carolina Water Service, Inc.; United Utility Companies, Inc.; Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc.; and Southland Utilities, Inc. for Approval of Transfer of Stock and Merger

Carolina Water Service, Inc. ("CWS"), United Utility Companies, Inc. ("United"), Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. ("USSC"), and Southland Utilities, Inc. ("Southland") have filed a Joint Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") for approval of the transfer of the stock and subsequent merger, and the related transfer of water and sewer facilities, territories, customers and certificates of public convenience and necessity of United, USSC and Southland to CWS, the surviving entity. The Application was filed pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-504 and 103-704. If the instant Application is approved, Utilities, Inc., the sole owner of the consolidated entity, will continue to provide management, operations, and financing support services to CWS. Also, CWS will operate each of the subject water and sewer systems according to rate schedules currently approved by the Commission, until otherwise ordered by the Commission.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing on the above matter, pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-817, has been scheduled to begin **on Thursday, April 23, 2015, at 10:30 a.m.**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina.

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to www.psc.sc.gov and *Docket No. 2014-399-WS*.

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